

Response under 37 CFR § 1.116
Expedited Procedure
Examining Group 1652

Attorney Docket No. 5455.210-US

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Widner *et al.*

Confirmation No. 4969

Serial No.: 09/834,271

Group Art Unit: 1652

Filed: April 12, 2001

Examiner: M. Monshipouri

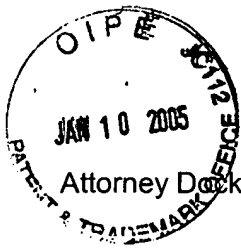
For: Methods for Producing a Polypeptide in a Bacillus Cell

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2004, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:



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AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application in response to the Office Action mailed **October 6, 2004**.

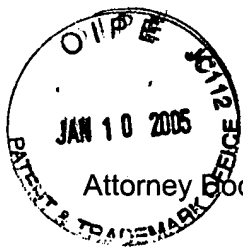
No additional claims fee is required.

There is no required extension or claims fees, if you do find so please charge any fees, to Novozymes North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-1701. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: January 6, 2005

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a)

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

I hereby certify that the attached correspondence comprising:

1. Amendment Fee Transmittal (in duplicate)
2. Amendment and Marked Up Version pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.21

is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the address indicated above on January 6, 2005.

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